ASSIGNMENT 2

Textbook assignment: Chapter 2, "Oscillators," pages 2-1 through 2-38.

- 2-1. A sinusoidal oscillator can be regarded as which of the following types of amplifiers?
 - 1. One that produces a trapezoidal wave
 - 2. One that produces a sine wave
 - 3. One that produces a square wave
 - 4. One that produces a sawtooth wave
- 2-2. Wave generators are classified according to the
 - 1. input wave shape
 - 2. output wave shape
 - 3. current in the output
 - 4. voltage in the output
- 2-3. An IDEAL sinusoidal oscillator would produce which of the following outputs?
 - 1. A square wave of constant frequency and amplitude
 - 2. A square wave of varying frequency and amplitude
 - 3. A sine wave of constant frequency and amplitude
 - 4. A sine wave of varying frequency and constant amplitude
- 2-4. What three circuits are most commonly used as frequency determining devices?
 - 1. Class C amplifier, class B amplifier, and class A amplifier
 - 2. Crystal-controlled oscillator, RC oscillator, and LC oscillator
 - 3. Common-emitter amplifier, commonbase amplifier, and common-collector amplifier
 - 4. Transformer coupler, RC coupler, and direct coupler

- 2-5. Which of the following circuits is NOT a relaxation oscillator?
 - 1. A multivibrator
 - 2. A sawtooth generator
 - 3. A blocking oscillator
 - 4. A sinusoidal oscillator
- 2-6. Which of the following definitions describes the basic oscillator?
 - 1. A nonrotating device producing alternating current
 - 2. A rotating device producing alternating current
 - 3. A nonrotating device producing direct current
 - 4. A rotating device producing direct current
- 2-7. Amplitude stability in an oscillator is the ability to
 - 1. produce an increased amplitude in the output
 - 2. produce a variable amplitude in the output
 - 3. maintain a constant frequency in the output
 - 4. maintain a constant amplitude in the output
- 2-8. Frequency stability in an oscillator refer to its ability to
 - 1. maintain a constant operating frequency
 - 2. maintain a variable operating amplitude
 - 3. maintain a constant amplitude
 - 4. vary operating frequency

- 2-9. What is the purpose of a buffer amplifier?
 - 1. To provide a direct connection between the oscillator and the load
 - 2. To amplify the output signal of the oscillator
 - 3. To remove frequency distortion from the oscillator
 - 4. To prevent load variations from affecting the oscillator
- 2-10. Why is class A bias used in oscillators?
 - 1. To develop low power
 - 2. To develop maximum power
 - 3. To maintain low distortion
 - 4. To maintain high efficiency
- 2-11. When a group of RC networks is used for regenerative feedback, which of the following waveform actions takes place in each successive stage?
 - 1. Waveform is rectified
 - 2. Amplitude is decreased
 - 3. Amplitude is increased
 - 4. Amplitude is held constant
- 2-12. When RC networks are connected in cascade (series), what amount of phase shift should you see?
 - 1. The sum of the phase shifts of each RC network
 - 2. The difference between the phase shifts of each RC network
 - 3. The product of the phase shifts of each RC network
 - 4. The square of the phase shifts of each RC network
- 2-13. Which of the following terms describes the gradual amplitude reduction in an oscillator?
 - 1. Damping
 - 2. Phase shift
 - 3. Regeneration
 - 4. Flywheel effect

2-14. Which of the following formulas can be used to figure frequency in an LC tank circuit?

1.
$$f_r = \frac{1}{2\pi LC}$$

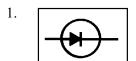
2.
$$f_{\rm r} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$

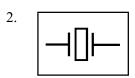
3.
$$f_{\rm r} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{X_{\rm C}}}$$

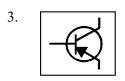
4.
$$f_r = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{\times_c L_c}}$$

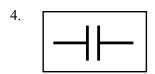
- 2-15. Which of the following actions best describes the piezoelectric effect?
 - 1. Produces an dc output voltage for a given ac input voltage
 - 2. Produces an output voltage for a given mechanical input
 - 3. Produces a mechanical output for a given input voltage
 - 4. Both 2 and 3 above
- 2-16. The piezoelectric effect is the property of a crystal which produces which of the following electrical characteristics?
 - 1. Resistance
 - 2. Inductance
 - 3. Capacitance
 - 4. Each of the above

2-17. What is the schematic symbol for a crystal?









- 2-18. What electrical characteristic makes the frequency stability of a crystal better than that of an LC tank circuit?
 - 1. Higher Q
 - 2. Higher inductance
 - 3. Higher resistance
 - 4. Higher capacitance
- 2-19. How is feedback described?
 - 1. Control of a circuit output signal by the input signal
 - 2. Control of a circuit input signal by the output of the previous circuit
 - 3. Transfer of a portion of the output circuit energy to control the input of the circuit
 - 4. Transfer of a portion of the input circuit energy to control the output circuit

- 2-20. Which of the following terms describes the types of feedback?
 - 1. Degenerative and regenerative
 - 2. Negative and positive
 - 3. Both 1 and 2 above
 - 4. Bypassed and unbypassed
- 2-21. What type of feedback aids an input signal?
 - 1. Positive
 - 2. Negative
 - 3. Bypassed
 - 4. Degenerative
- 2-22. What type of feedback opposes an input signal?
 - 1. Positive
 - 2. Unbypassed
 - 3. Degenerative
 - 4. Regenerative
- 2-23. What type of feedback is used to sustain oscillations?
 - 1. Bypassed
 - 2. Negative
 - 3. Degenerative
 - 4. Regenerative
- 2-24. What oscillator uses a tickler coil for feedback?
 - 1. Hartley
 - 2. Colpitts
 - 3. Armstrong
 - 4. RC phase-shift
- 2-25. What oscillator uses a tapped coil for feedback?
 - 1. Hartley
 - 2. Colpitts
 - 3. Armstrong
 - 4. RC phase-shift

- 2-26. What oscillator uses split capacitors for feedback?
 - 1. Hartley
 - 2. Colpitts
 - 3. Armstrong
 - 4. RC phase-shift

TO ANSWER QUESTIONS 2-27 THROUGH 2-29, SELECT THE CONFIGURATIONS IN COLUMN B THAT MATCH THE AMPLIFIER CHARACTERISTICS IN COLUMN A. CHOICES IN COLUMN B MAY BE USED ONCE, MORE THAN ONCE OR NOT AT ALL.

- A. CHARACTERISTICS
- B. CONFIGURATIONS
- 2-27. Voltage gain is less than unity
- 1. Common-base
- 2. Common-gate
- 3. Common-emitter
- 2-28. Low power gain
- 4. Common-collector
- 2-29. Feedback signal requires phase shift

- 2-30. Which of the following statements best describes tank current in a series-fed oscillator?
 - 1. The dc path is through the tank circuit
 - 2. The dc path does not go through the tank circuit
 - 3. The ac path is through the tank circuit
 - 4. The ac path does not go through the tank circuit
- 2-31. In a shunt-fed, tuned-collector Armstrong oscillator, what blocks the dc component from the tank circuit?
 - 1. A resistor
 - 2. A capacitor
 - 3. An inductor
 - 4. A transistor

- 2-32. Which of the following circuit arrangements aid in the frequency stability of an oscillator?
 - 1. A regulated power supply
 - 2. A common bias source for the emitter and collector
 - 3. Both 1 and 2 above
 - 4. Separate bias sources

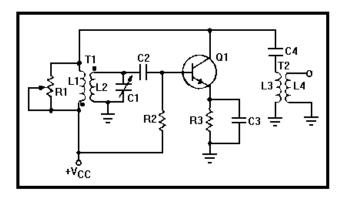


Figure 2A.—Tuned-base Armstrong oscillator.

IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS 2-33 THROUGH 2-37, REFER TO FIGURE 2A.

- 2-33. The frequency of the output signal of the oscillator is determined by what components?
 - 1. R1 and L1
 - 2. L2 and C1
 - 3. L3 and C4
 - 4. R3 and C3
- 2-34. Forward bias for the amplifier is developed by what component?
 - 1. R1
 - 2. R2
 - 3. R3
 - 4. L1

- 2-35. The resonant frequency is tuned to the desired value by what component?
 - 1. C1
 - 2. C2
 - 3. L3
 - 4. L1
- 2-36. What is the maximum degree of phase shift provided between the base and collector of Q1?
 - 1. 0 degrees
 - 2. 90 degrees
 - 3. 120 degrees
 - 4. 180 degrees
- 2-37. Temperature stability of the oscillator is improved by what component?
 - 1. R1
 - 2. R2
 - 3. R3
 - 4. C4
- 2-38. What feature in a Hartley oscillator differs from an Armstrong oscillator?
 - 1. Tickler coil
 - 2. Split inductor
 - 3. Split coupling
 - 4. Split capacitance

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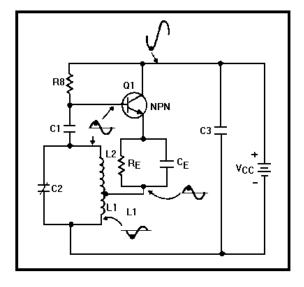


Figure 2B.—Series-fed, tuned-base Hartley oscillator.

IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS 2-39 THROUGH 2-42, REFER TO FIGURE 2B.

- 2-39. What components are part of the frequency-determining device of this oscillator?
 - 1. C1, L1, and L2
 - 2. C2, L1, and L2
 - 3. C3, L1, and L2
 - 4. C_E , R_E , and R_B
- 2-40. What circuit component prevents thermal runaway?
 - 1. L1
 - 2. C_E
 - $3. R_B$
 - $4. R_E$
- 2-41. The low resistance of L2 could place a short across the emitter-to-base junction network of Q1 and R_E. What component in the circuit prevents this from happening?
 - 1. C1
 - 2. C2
 - 3. C3
 - 4. C_E

- 2-42. When a positive signal is coupled to the base of Q1, what happens to (a) collector current and (b) emitter current?
 - 1. (a) Increases (b) increases
 - 2. (a) Increases (b) decreases
 - 3. (a) Decreases (b) decreases
 - 4. (a) Decreases (b) increases
- 2-43. A tuned-base Hartley oscillator is described as "shunt fed" when
 - 1. ac flows through the tank circuit
 - 2. dc flows through the tank circuit
 - 3. ac does not flow through the tank circuit
 - 4. dc does not flow through the tank circuit
- 2-44. Which of the following advantages does the Colpitts oscillator have over the Armstrong and Hartley oscillators?
 - 1. Easier to tune
 - 2. Wider frequency range
 - 3. Better frequency stability
 - 4. All of the above

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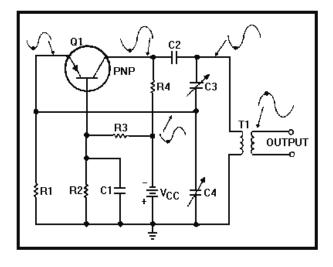


Figure 2C.—Oscillator.

IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS 2-45 THROUGH 2-47, REFER TO FIGURE 2C.

- 2-45. What type of oscillator is shown in the figure?
 - 1. Common-base Hartley
 - 2. Common-base Colpitts
 - 3. Common-emitter Colpitts
 - 4. Common-collector Hartley
- 2-46. What component is the collector load resistor?
 - 1. R1
 - 2. R2
 - 3. R3
 - 4. R4
- 2-47. What resistors provide the base bias?
 - 1. R1, R2
 - 2. R2, R3
 - 3. R3, R4
 - 4. R2, R4

- 2-48. What class of biasing does the RC oscillator use?
 - 1. A
 - 2. B
 - 3. C
 - 4. AB
- 2-49. In an RC network, (a) what type of impedance is presented and (b) does the current lead or lag?
 - 1. (a) Inductive
- (b) leads
- 2. (a) Inductive
- (b) lags
- 3. (a) Capacitive (b) lags
- 4. (a) Capacitive (b) leads
- 2-50. In the phase-shift oscillator, a phase shift of 180 degrees for regenerative feedback is provided by what minimum number of RC networks?
 - 1. One
 - 2. Two
 - 3. Three
 - 4. Four
- 2-51. What determines the phase angle of an RC network?
 - 1. Input voltage
 - 2. Output voltage
 - 3. Values of resistance and inductance
 - 4. Values of resistance and capacitance

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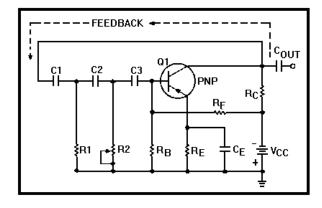


Figure 2D.—Phase-shift oscillator.

IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS 2-52 THROUGH 2-56, REFER TO FIGURE 2D.

- 2-52. What is the maximum amount of phase shift provided by Q1 in the figure?
 - 1. 0 degrees
 - 2. 60 degrees
 - 3. 90 degrees
 - 4. 180 degrees
- 2-53. What type of feedback is provided through the RC networks to the base of Q1?
 - 1. Neutral
 - 2. Negative
 - 3. Regenerative
 - 4. Degenerative
- 2-54. At any other than the desired frequency, what type of feedback is provided by the circuit?
 - 1. Neutral
 - 2. Positive
 - 3. Regenerative
 - 4. Degenerative
- 2-55. What components make up the frequency-determining device?
 - 1. C1, C2, C_E, R1, R2, R_B
 - 2. C2, C3, C_E, R2, R_B, R_E
 - 3. C1, C2, C3, R1, R2, R_B
 - 4. C_{out}, C1, C2, R1, R2, R_E

- 2-56. What is the maximum amount of phase shift provided by the C3-R_B network?
 - 1. 90 degrees
 - 2. 80 degrees
 - 3. 70 degrees
 - 4. 60 degrees
- 2-57. Which of the following is the correct formula for the resonant frequency of a phase-shift oscillator?

$$f_{r} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$

 $f_{\mathfrak{r}} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}} \qquad \qquad 3. \qquad f_{\mathfrak{r}} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{fL}}$

2.
$$f_r = \frac{1}{2\pi RC\sqrt{2n}}$$
 4. $f_r = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{RC}}$

- 2-58. Which of the following oscillators is used to provide a highly stable output at a very precise frequency?
 - 1. Crystal
 - 2. Hartley
 - 3. Colpitts
 - 4. Armstrong
- 2-59. The frequency of a crystal-controlled oscillator is determined by which of the following physical actions?
 - 1. Type of cut
 - 2. Accuracy of cut
 - 3. Thickness of grinding
 - 4. All of the above
- 2-60. Why is the crystal in a crystal-controlled oscillator often installed in a temperaturecontrolled oven?
 - 1. To increase frequency without changing the crystal
 - 2. To decrease frequency without changing the crystal
 - 3. To provide better amplitude stability
 - 4. To provide better frequency stability

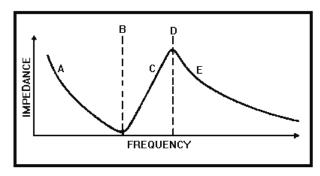


Figure 2E.—Frequency response of a crystal.

IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS 2-61 THROUGH 2-64, REFER TO FIGURE 2E. THE LETTERS A, B, C, D, AND E ARE POINTS ON THE FREQUENCY-RESPONSE CURVE FROM WHICH YOU SHOULD SELECT ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS.

- 2-61. At what point on the curve does a crystal act as a series-tuned circuit?
 - 1. A
 - 2. B
 - 3. C
 - 4. D
- 2-62. At what point does the crystal act inductively?
 - 1. A
 - 2. B
 - 3. C
 - 4. D
- 2-63. Below series resonance, a crystal acts capacitively at what point on the curve?
 - 1. A
 - 2. B
 - 3. C
 - 4. E
- 2-64. At what point does the crystal act purely as a parallel-resonant circuit?
 - 1. B
 - 2. C
 - 3. D
 - 4. E

- 2-65. How is the Q of a crystal determined?
 - 1. Type of cut used
 - 2. Type of holder used
 - 3. Accuracy of the grinding
 - 4. All of the above
- 2-66. An oscillator that is turned ON for a specific period of time, then is turned OFF and remains OFF until required at a later time, is which of following types?
 - 1. LC
 - 2. Pierce
 - 3. Pulsed
 - 4. Crystal

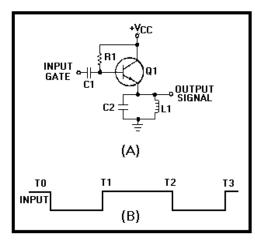


Figure 2F.—Oscillator circuit.

IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS 2-67 THROUGH 2-70, REFER TO FIGURE 2F.

- 2-67. What circuit is shown in the figure?
 - 1. Pierce oscillator
 - 2. Pulsed oscillator
 - 3. Colpitts oscillator
 - 4. Armstrong oscillator

- 2-68. Sine waves are generated in the emitter circuit of Q1 during which of the following time periods of the input gate?
 - 1. T0 to T1 and T1 to T2
 - 2. T0 to T1 and T2 to T3
 - 3. T1 to T2 and T3 to T4
 - 4. T1 to T3 and T0 to T4
- 2-69. The frequencies in the output are determined by what two circuit parameters?
 - 1. Input gate time and the time the circuit is turned OFF
 - 2. Output gate time and the time the circuit is turned ON
 - 3. Input gate time and the resonant frequency of the tank circuit
 - 4. Output gate time and the resonant frequency of the tank circuit,
- 2-70. If the resonant frequency of the tank circuit were 5 megahertz and transistor Q1 were cut off for 500 microseconds, what maximum number of cycles of the tank frequency would be present in each pulse of the output?
 - 1. 500 cycles
 - 2. 1,500 cycles
 - 3. 2,500 cycles
 - 4. 3,500 cycles
- 2-71. What is the fourth harmonic of a 2-megahertz signal?
 - 1. 6 megahertz
 - 2. 2 megahertz
 - 3. 8 megahertz
 - 4. 4 megahertz
- 2-72. What is the highest multiplication factor normally used in frequency multipliers?
 - 1. One
 - 2. Two
 - 3. Three
 - 4. Four

- 2-73. As the multiplication factor in a frequency multiplier circuit is increased, what happens to the output signal (a) amplitude and (b) frequency?
 - 1. (a) Increases
- (b) increases
- 2. (a) Increases
- (b) decreases
- 3. (a) Decreases
- (b) decreases
- 4. (a) Decreases
- (b) increases

- 2-74. In a buffer amplifier, what is the impedance in the (a) input and (b) output?
 - 1. (a) Low
- (b) low
- 2. (a) Low
- (b) high
- 3. (a) High4. (a) High
- (b) high(b) low